Homoeopathy specify under its activity to undertake research study on medicines other than Homoeopathic medicines; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. SILVERA): (a) and (b) The Central Council for Research in Homoeopathy has been set up for the purpose of research for furthering development of Homoeopathy—this does not also exclude study of substances not presently classified as Homoeopathic medicines.

Price Control over Homoeopathic Medicines

2895. SHRI N. GIRI PRASAD: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that common people who prefer Homoeopathic treatment are being fleeced by Homoeopathic Medicine retailers especially in case of those imported from Germany;

(b) whether it is a fact that there is no price control on sale of imported Homoeopathic Medicines; and

(c) if the answer to part(b) above be in the affirmative, whether.Government will consider ways and means to ansure that the common marl gets imported Homoeopathic medicines' on reasonable prices?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. SILVERA): (a) to (c) Homoeopathic medicines are not covered under Drug Price Control Order, 1987 and there is, therefore, variation in retail prices. However such medicines are less costly than other medicines.

Anthroporophical Medicines

2896. SHRI N. GIRI PRASAD: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Central Council for research in Homoeopathy has in its research institutes at Bombay and New Delhi and its Headquarters Office at New Delhi used/prescribed anthroporophical medicines apart from Iscador, during the last eight years, if so,. the details thereof;

(b) whether it is also' a fact that many of these anthroporophical medicines were in injectable form,, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether some of these medicines are still lying unused and have been expired, and if so, from where these medicines were procured?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. SILVERA): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Prescription of Homoeopathic Medicines made on Homoeopathic Principles

2897. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that the Central Council of Homoeopathy has prescribed code of conduct and ethics which forbid Homoeopathic physicians from prescribing medicines which are not prepared according to Homoeopathic principles; and

(b) if so, what action Government take against erring Homoeopathic physicians?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C.